

Weinlig Store (Tract #7829)
Main Street, southwest corner First
Roscoe
St. Clair County
Missouri

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Location: Main street, southwest corner First, Roscoe, St.
Clair County, Missouri.

USGS St. Clair Quadrangle, Universal Transverse
Coordinates: 15.428890.4202204.

Present Owner: United States Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City
District.

Present Use: Vacant.

Significance: This structure, built in 1912 as a one-room general
store, is common to small crossroads communities in
the area. The sandstone of the walls and the cast-
iron of the storefront are unusual materials for
such a small building.

PART I. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

Condition of fabric: Fair. The building is vacant but has been
occupied and maintained until recently.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Over-all dimensions: This one-story building has a three-bay
front, 17'-2" wide, by 47'-8" deep.
2. Foundation: Sandstone foundation with partially excavated base-
ment. The site slopes sharply toward the rear. The basement is
full height at the rear, and excavated about halfway toward the
front of the building.
3. Wall construction: Walls are ashlar sandstone quarried nearby,
coursed on the front facade and randomly laid on the sides.
The cast-iron storefront is painted red with white trim.
4. Structural system: There is a masonry load-bearing wall with
wooden floor and ceiling joists spanning the narrow dimension.

5. Porch: A wooden loading dock at the rear provides shelter for the door to the basement.
6. Chimney: The stove flue rises through the southern wall and emerges as a brick chimney above the parapet.
7. Openings:
 - a. Doorways and doors: The cast-iron framed storefront fills the entire width and about three quarters of the height of the east elevation. The front doors are set in a recessed bay flanked by large windows. A pair of wooden doors beneath a fixed glass transom have a vertical rectangular glass panel above horizontal rectangular lower panels. The rear door is a single panel wood door, and the doorway has a segmentally arched lintel.
 - b. Windows: The front show windows have six square panes set into a cast iron framework. Angled walls in the recessed bay have three panes, one over the other. On the north wall are two two-light windows set high in the wall. At grade directly below the western window is the basement window, with a corresponding basement window on the south wall directly opposite that on the north wall. The west (rear) facade has a small two-over-two-light window directly above the door, and a large two-over-two-light double hung wood sash window to the right of the door. All window openings on the side and rear walls have segmentally arched lintels.
8. Roof: The asphalt roof slopes from front to rear. There is a wooden awning with asphalt shingles over the storefront. The top stone course projects slightly beyond the plane of the wall as a coping on the parapets of the side and front walls.

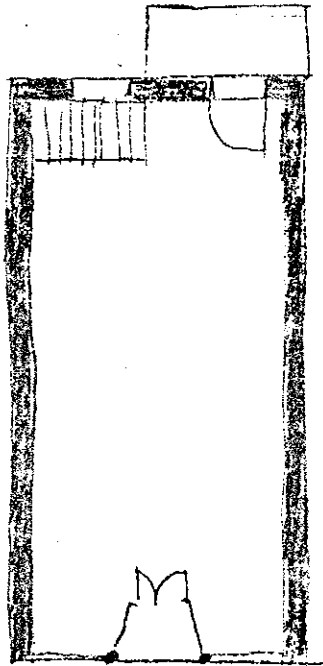
C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plans: The one story building has a basement excavated only under the rear half of the building. The great slope of the site allows access to the basement at grade at the rear under a wooden loading dock. The first floor is one large rectangular space. Entry is through double doors in the cast iron framed central recessed bay.
2. Stairways: There are steep wooden stairs to the basement through a hatch in floor in the southwest corner of the store.
3. Flooring: Wooden tongue-and-groove flooring.

4. Wall and ceiling finish: The walls have plaster over masonry,
and the ceilings have wood tongue and groove stripping.

D. Site: The building faces east on Main Street.

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FLOOR PLAN

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PART II. PROJECT INFORMATION

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